

2013 DRAFT ZONING ARTICLE**AMEND ZONING BYLAW –
COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS**

(Two-thirds vote)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 3, as follows:

1. In the Table of Principal Uses insert a new line 3.4.11 as follows:

	RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS				VILLAGE DISTRICTS					OFFICE DISTRICTS	
PRINCIPAL USES	R-2 R-4 R-8 R-8/4 R-10 R-10/8	R-A	R-AA	VR	EAV	EAV-2	NAV	SAV	WAV	OP-1	OP-2
3.4 GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONAL & PUBLIC SERVICE USES											
3.4.11 Charitable Organization	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

		BUSINESS DISTRICTS			INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS					SP. DIST.	
PRINCIPAL USES		KC	LB	PM	GI	LI	LI-1	SM(1)	TD	ARC	SITE PLAN
3.4 GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONAL & PUBLIC SERVICE USES											
3.4.11	Charitable Organization	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	R

2. In section 3.4 (Governmental, Institutional and Public Service Uses), insert a new land use definition as follows:

3.4.11 Community Service Organization – An organization, other than religious or educational, incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation under the Federal tax code and dedicated to assist individuals and families in need by providing or distributing free goods, services or other assistance to cover basic needs, such as but not limited to a food pantry, a provider of free clothing furniture, appliances and home goods, or a provider of home heating fuel assistance.

, or take any other action relative thereto.

SUMMARY

This article will create the regulatory space in the zoning bylaw for non-profit community service organizations, unrelated to religious or educational institutions, to locate in the Town of Acton to provide residents and families in need with assistance in basic needs for a safe, healthy and dignified existence: food, clothing, shelter and heat. Specifically, this article will allow the Acton

Food Pantry Acton, a long standing Acton-based organization to locate their planned new facility at a site in Acton that is affordable to them.

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